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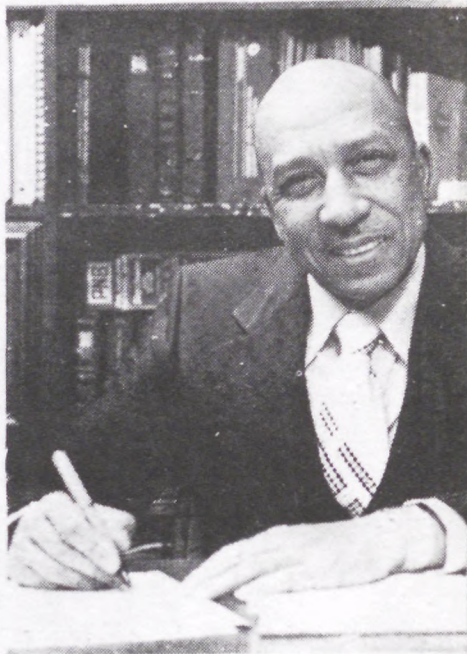


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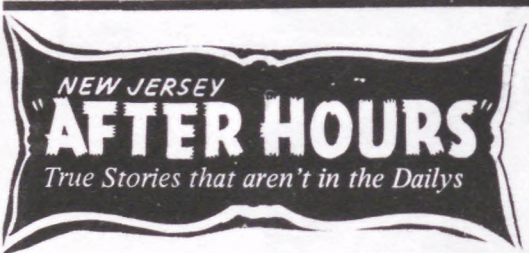
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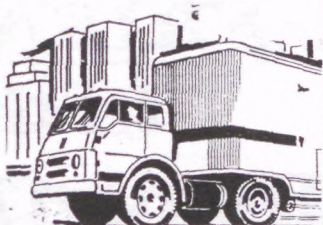
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# NAMES IN THE NEWS . . .

by CHOLLY

**NAMES** — GERRI MAJOR, for years the Jet social editor and almost a dictator of black society in America, has been fired by JOHN H. JOHNSON, the magazine king along with other top editors. A release from California gave her age as 80 and her huge salary has been mentioned many times. She has nothing to lose and perhaps with time on her hands, so why not a book on that controversial question "Is There A Black Aristocracy" or some such title.

**FULTZ BIRTHDAY** — Jimmie Fultz and HAROLD MAJORS celebrated their birthdays last Friday at the Owl Club with some of the guests noted as follows: Louis Artis, Oneida Dover, Terrie Smith, Donald Ruff, Esq; Anna Lois Jones, Mattie Elmore, Roosevelt Davis, Keith Saunders, Earl Harris, Bernice Webber.

**PEOPLE** — Detective JAMES SIMSON is hospitalized and suffering ... NORMAN SIMPSON is master minding EARL HARRIS' drive for the Number 1 spot, LEE KAUFMAN, long an activist with the senior citizens groups was hospitalized the same time as her husband, LOUIS KAUFMAN, but within days Louis died.

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# The Socialites

by Butler Webb

**HISTORY** — A bit of Newark's history was revealed recently when the **Household of Ruth**, a Division of the Order of the Eastern Star staged its honor luncheon at L'Affaire and **ELSIE R. PARKER**, presented Grant Matron listed all the Grands in their sixty-year-old history as follows:

1921-22, **Sister Fannie Roundtree**; 1922-45, **Mary Patterson**; 1945-49, **Georgia Marshall**; 1949-52, **Savannah Turk**; 1952-55, **Odelle MaLaurin**; 1955-57, **Martha Caine**; 1957-58, **Prentis Lawrence**; 1958-76, **Nellie Grier**, and 1976 to date **Elsie K. Parker**.

**THE INTERVIEW** — A failure of the black press in general is the lack of professional interviews with those who have made it. In Jersey, the list is long; for example one of the above **OEA Matrons** has not been really interviewed; **NELLIE GRIER**, the senior citizen leader. Another is **TEDDY POWELL** who brought all those big stars and bands to Symphony Hall and other points. There is **EVERETT LATTIMORE** of Plainfield, who ran for Mayor there. He and his distinguished sister were interviewed a few years ago, but he alone as political and educator has not been done. **LARRIE W. STALKS** has been widely publicized, but has she ever been interviewed in depth, not only about politics, but her life otherwise?

**KENNETH A. GIBSON** was interviewed at length when he first became Mayor and by the late Newark News, but the interview told little about the man personally ... but certainly his main man, **ELTON HILL** has not been interviewed, at least by the black press. **DOROTHEA LEE**, FORMER CHIEF OF THE B&P, **REMA Y PIERCE** of the Newark NCNW ... **EMMA JEAN STEPHERSON** of the AKA ... **KITTY BROWN** of the Deltas are others. So is Title I Head **ELAINE BRODY**, **DONALD PAYNE**, **WILLIE BROWN**, **MILDRED BARRY GARVIN** and even 91-year-old **BILL ASHBY**.

Usual excuse of the black press is that personal interviews over publicize the subjects give them a free boost, but this narrow editorial view is faulty, as such interviews often teach others



secrets of success. Then how many have the skills to do interviews? Even TV interviewers bore watchers by limelighting themselves, instead of the subject, such as NERVE GRIFFIN and DICK CAVETT. A girl on "Like It Is" detracts from interviewees by arresting attention on herself by over-talking, smoothing her hair, trying to look captivating.



**Fashion Time — LORRAINE LAVENDER interviewed Mr. CHIPS DERRICK WRIGHT director of Chocolate Chip models — Web Foto**

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Essex County Freeholder Pearl Beatty of Newark, is pictured presenting a check in the amount of \$10,000 to Evelyn Lewis, Executive Director and Hubert Belton, President of the Sickle Cell Education and Service Foundation of New Jersey Incorporated.

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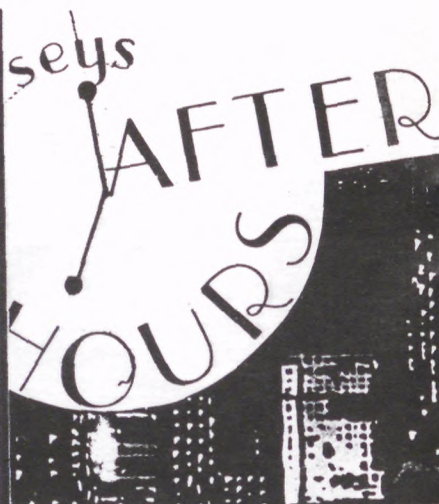
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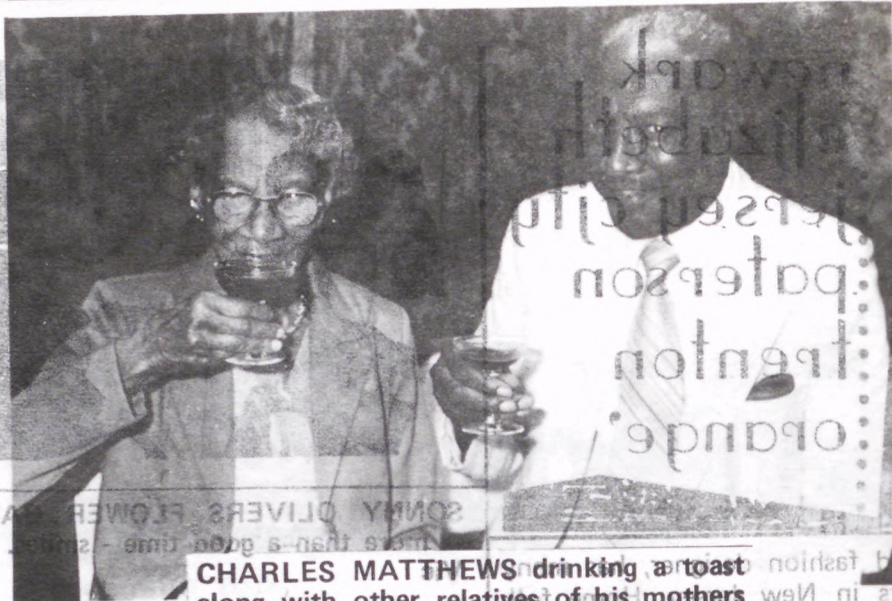
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**CHARLES A. MATTHEWS** of 25 Manor Drive, Newark, retired Essex County employee, who was also a former Essex County Freeholder, its first Black Freeholder Director, sponsored a birthday party for his mother, **MRS. EMILY MATTHEWS** on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, Thursday evening, July 2nd at Thomms Restaurant, 80 Park Ave., Newark. Mrs. Matthews resides with her son Charles and his wife Thelma, at the Manor avenue address.

Mrs. Matthews is the daughter of a former slave **MOLLY HINDS**, who was 9 years old when slavery was abolished. Mrs. Hinds married Webster Wimbley in Cuthbert, Georgia, where Mrs. Matthews was born.

The Wimbleys migrated to Dalesville, Alabama, where Mrs. Matthews attended school and subsequently married John R. Matthews. Six children were born to this marriage. She is a senior member of Zion Hill Baptist Church in Newark, and is a



charter member of the Elderly Club of the Golden Age Project of Baxter Terrace Senior Homes in Newark.

The Matthews and their four boys moved from Dalesville, Alabama in 1917 to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where two other children were born, Ernest and Marie their only daughter. The four boys born in Dalesville, Alabama including Charles were Leo, John H., and James L. Matthews.

Armour H. Brown, served as master of ceremonies. Deacon Artries Babor, also a member of Zion Hill Baptist Church, where Mrs. Matthews was a senior member, gave this invocation. Mildred Taylor also of Zion Hill rendered a solo accompanied by Gary Mutchins. Deacon Douglas West of Zion Hill also sang the inspiring and emotional Black Baptist Folk song, "Living One Day At A Time."

Among the guest were, Rev. Queen E. Hill, Sadie West and Dorothy Babor, both deaconesses of Zion Hill Church. Others were Betty J. Ellis, Hermie Carson, Martha Brown, Mamie Brown, Addie Turner, Jane Dukes and Mary D. Battle.

Member of the family in attendance were: GRANDCHILDREN, Linda Matthews, Muriel Hodge, Delores Spence, Sherelle Matthews, Eileen Bland, Ernest Matthews, Karen Matthews, Sheila Matthews, Sandra Matthews, and James L. Matthews, Jr.

Among the Great Grandchildren were; Douglas Bland, Kim Matthews, Lloyd Spence, Dionne Spence, Glen Spence, Sean Matthews, Derrick Matthews and Rochelle Hodge. The Great

Great Grandchildren were: Danielle Hodge, Kim Matthews, Jr. Others in attendance at the gala affair were Ida and Thelma Matthews, daughter-in-laws. Others were, Edith Matthews, granddaughter-in-law, Winston Spence, grandson-in-law, Clarence Hodge, grandson-in-law, and Evie Matthews great granddaughter-in-law, also Alice Harris, niece.

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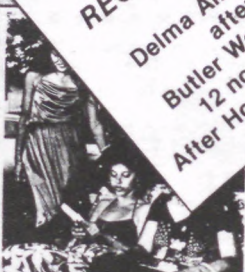
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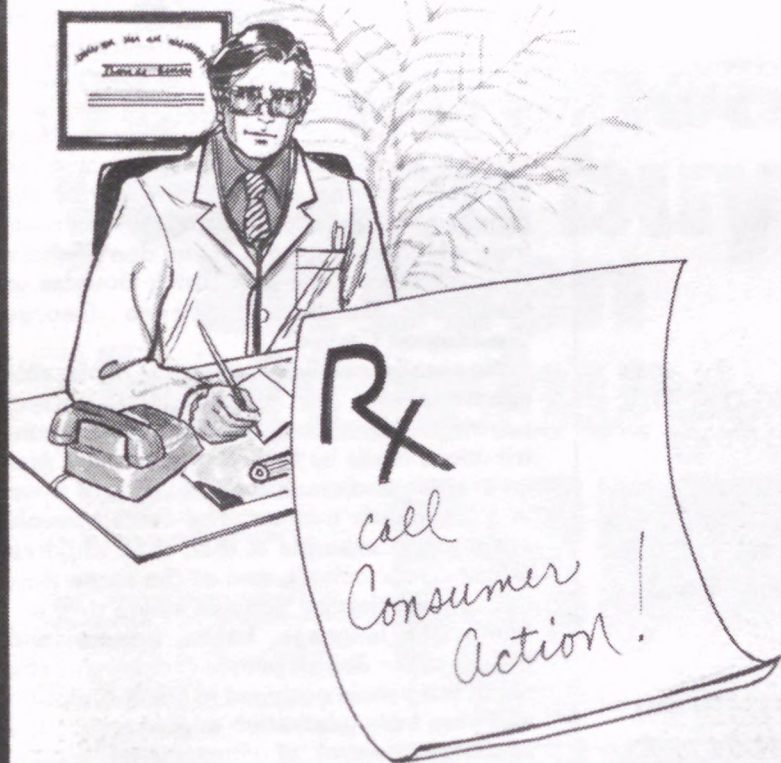
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